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SUBJECT: GATT CONSULTATIVE GROUP OF 18: OBSERVERS FROM  
OTHER ORGANIZATIONS

REFS: A) GENEVA 8011; B) GENEVA 8068

1. IN RESPONSE TO QUESTION RAISED IN REFTELS, WE BELIEVE  
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THAT PRESENCE OF OBSERVERS FROM OTHER ORGANIZATIONS WOULD

DETRACT FROM FRANK AND OPEN ATMOSPHERE WHICH WILL BE NECESSARY TO MAXIMIZE EFFECTIVENESS OF GROUP OF 18. THEREFORE, WE DO NOT FAVOR PRESENCE OF OBSERVERS, WHETHER THEY BE FROM UNCTAD, IMF, OR OTHER INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATIONS. ON OTHER HAND, WE BELIEVE THAT IT MAY BE USEFUL FROM TIME TO TIME TO INVITE REPRESENTATIVE OF ANOTHER ORGANIZATION, SUCH AS UNCTAD OR IMF, TO REPORT TO THE GROUP OF 18 ON SPECIFIC ACTIVITIES OR ACTIONS WITHIN THAT ORGANIZATION WHICH HAVE A BEARING ON WORK OF THE GATT. WE DISCUSSED THIS VIEW WITH GATT DG LONG HERE ON OCTOBER 24 AND HE SAID THAT HE AGREED WITH US ENTIRELY.

2. MISSION MAY ALSO WISH TO CONVEY TO SECRETARIAT OUR OPINION THAT PRESENCE OF AN OBSERVER FROM ANOTHER ORGANIZATION BASED SOLELY ON GENERAL INTEREST IN THE AGENDA ITEM WOULD ALMOST BY DEFINITION MAKE IT A PERMANENT FEATURE OF THE GROUP, WHICH WE WOULD FIND UNDESIRABLE.

3. WHILE WE OPPOSE INVITING EITHER IMF OR UNCTAD TO ATTEND AS OBSERVERS, IN LIGHT OF AGENDA ITEM FOR NOVEMBER 24-25 MEETING OF GROUP ON GATT BOP PROCEDURES AND, NECESSARILY, ON THE GATT-IMF RELATIONSHIP, WE WOULD NOT OPPOSE GIVING INVITATION TO IMF TO HAVE A REPRESENTATIVE REPORT TO THE GROUP ON PERTINENT ASPECTS OF IMF'S FUNCTIONS. KISSINGER

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